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Photographs of the Gardens 1877

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hundred years for up - 1872.

new Deer ferns put up 1871

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A photograph of The Gardens - 1871

Through the courtesy of the Director of the Gardens
a number of old photographs of the Botanical Gardens
Singapore have been sent to me for the
Gardens Records. These photographs have been
collected at the time of the year and are now
referred to as the "old series".

The photographs taken in 1871 show the state of the
Gardens at that time. It is apparent that the
Gardens were in a state of decay and that the
trees were in a state of decay.

The date is given as the most probable because the
Gardens records show that in that year the
which covered the trees to the north of the
had so increased that the trees themselves were killed;

and fell down about 1878. The creepers on the trees
were a few rocks, which was laid open by the
collapse of the hills, and had to be abandoned. The

present few rocks near the ~~present~~ area was not
completed till some years later. In this photograph

some of the Thunbergia creepers can be seen, and in
two others, but evidently taken at the same time. The
creepers on the trees are still there. It is seen that

the creepers are quite ~~smothering~~ the trees.
The ~~large~~ ^{hill} in the middle of the background is apparently

the Kumpas which still exists to the north of
the hill, and the ~~hill~~ ^{hill} is still there. The ~~hill~~ ^{hill} is still there.
which are still there. It is a large tree.

The other photograph



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